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Yukon Assumes Chair of Committee on Internal Trade

WHITEHORSE – Economic Development Minister Jim Kenyon is pleased to be assuming the chair of the Committee on Internal Trade and is looking forward to hosting the 2009 meeting in Whitehorse next June.

"We are eager to host our fellow signatories to the Agreement on Internal Trade (AIT) and showcase Yukon as one of the last great frontiers with an abundance of natural resources and untapped business potential," Kenyon said.

The Committee on Internal Trade concluded its annual meeting in Vancouver on June 10 with a presentation from Yukon and the designation of Kenyon as chair for 2009, starting in December this year.

"The Government of Yukon is working to fulfil its commitment to providing the necessary leadership and climate to make Yukon businesses competitive in the global economy," Kenyon added. "Through this agreement, we continue to work with other provinces and territories to build a stronger Canadian economy by addressing obstacles to internal trade and mobility."

Discussions were driven by the Five-point Internal Trade Workplan and included the topics of labour mobility, dispute resolution, energy, agriculture and reconciliation of regulations.

The Committee on Internal Trade is the working group of the AIT, which Yukon has been a party to since it came into effect in 1995.

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